

AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION

Minutes

June 11, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 8:17 am by Chairman Lee Buckingham at Auburn City Hall, Room 10. Present were: Lee Buckingham, April Maynard, Mike Holmes, Tim Grayson, Terri Goodman, Joyce Silva, and Judi Lardner. Also present was Tori Connolly and Michael Kent Murphy.

A quorum was established and the May 6th and May 14th minutes approved as written.

Public Comment: Tori Connolly and Michael Kent Murphy were welcomed.

Comments Received from Tori Connolly re: graffiti: Ms. Connolly expressed her concern about graffiti at the corner of Palm Avenue and Auburn Ravine Road. She mentioned that some areas have volunteer graffiti removal programs, but she didn't know specific details. She suggested that people might refrain from tagging areas if walls were painted with some sort of design. Mike said that the City is responsible for cleaning up graffiti on public property. If it occurs on private property, code enforcement is supposed to contact the property owner. A discussion followed and it was the general consensus that Ms. Connolly's recommendations were a good idea and worth looking into. Mike said he would research City responsibilities. Judi asked Ms. Connolly if she would be willing to do some research about successful programs.

City Hall Gallery: Lee reported that he has asked if the new lights can be put up before Thursday's reception.

Public Art Loan Program: Mr. Murphy asked about the process for getting public art in Central Square. There was a general discussion about locations for art, rotating displays, and the process for getting a program in place. Mr. Murphy volunteered to research possible locations for public art.

Streetscape project: No update.

Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center: Mike said that potential significant donors are being approached. A fund-raising event is planned for June 26th.

Forgotten Soldier Meditation Garden: Mike said that the proposal has not moved forward.

Airport Monument: Mike said fund-raising efforts are still underway. Douglas Van Howd has already put \$55,000 into the project. Mike estimates the total cost at \$100,000.

Auburn Arts in the Park: Mr. Murphy suggested that entry areas to the park be emphasized, making specific recommendations how this might be done. There was a long discussion about how to get local artists involved. Joyce summarized findings from the exit interviews. Tim requested that AAC members submit dollar amounts for materials they donated to Arts in the Park. Terri suggested recruiting volunteers to serve on subcommittees for festival planning and would like to see the AAC continue to sponsor the event for another few years. April and Judi favored partnering with another organization, such as ARD.

Art Walk, Help & Supplies: Judi requested help with staffing the reception during the art walk on Thursday. A volunteer schedule was established.

After some discussion about future meeting dates and times, Tim moved to change the next regular meeting time to 4:30 pm on Wednesday, July 10th. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:13 am
Respectfully Submitted,
Judi Lardner, Secretary